Welcome back, students! We look forward to continuing our mission of helping you make informed decisions about your preparation for law school and a legal career. Your engagement and participation in new pre-law programs, events, and opportunities, will support this mission.

We promise this to be a rewarding and enjoyable school year for pre-law students. There are some critical updates and deadlines in this month’s newsletter! Please read things carefully and contact the Pre-Law Avising Center with any questions.

**CENTER UPDATES**

**Pre-Law Externship Program**

The Pre-Law Externship Program allows law UT Dallas pre-law students to shadow and observe professionals within various fields of the legal profession. Occurring during the week of Spring Break (March 13 - 19, 2023), students are matched with UTD alums and legal professionals in various careers across various disciplines. Students are encouraged to attend an information session to learn more about the program and how to apply.

Pre-Law Externship Program Information Sessions
January 20, 12:00-1:00 PM | Virtual
February 1, 1:00-2:00 PM | Virtual
UT Dallas LSAT Prep Course

This Spring, the Pre-Law Advising Center will hire an expert instructor to teach an accelerated Law School Admission Test (LSAT) Prep Course. This instructor will hold in-person meetings of intensive LSAT instruction with a special extended schedule outside of regular class hours.

Students must apply for this phenomenal opportunity as space is limited to 12 students. Selection will only be granted to students with exceptional academic standing, a demonstrated interest in attending law school, and a proven capacity to perform well at an academically rigorous level.

Applications open on January 17th and will close on January 31st.

Save the Date!

The 2023 UTD Law Conference will be held on April 21st, 2023, at the Davidson-Gundy Alumni Center. The conference will offer informative and practical sessions on topics relevant to pre-law students and attorneys. Registration TBA.

Moot Court National Tournament Success

This past weekend, Olivia Cooper and Paulina Hruskoci advanced to the FINAL round of the National Intercollegiate Moot Court Tournament at Louisiana State University. As Runners Up, they are second in the country. Almost 700 teams nationwide entered the sixteen regional qualifiers hoping to make it to nationals, and 80 teams qualified and competed this weekend. Congratulations to Olivia and Paulina on a successful competition season!
UTD Pre-Law 101 is your one-stop shop resource for finding law school-related information. Whether you have burning questions, want to know if you're "doing it right," or are interested in learning how to take your application portfolio to the next level, the links and resources will help you get where you want to go.

Students must register with a non-UTD email, preferably their LSAC account email.

Register Here

Instagram
Take advantage of the crucial news and insights you need to make informed legal decisions!

Follow the Pre-Law Advising Center on Instagram to be the first to know!

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Are you applying to the 2023-24 Law School Admission Cycle?
The Pre-Law Advising Center has application fee waivers for the following schools:

- William & Mary Law School
- Kansas University School of Law

Fee waivers are valid for this cycle only. Contact Dominique Lange at dominique.lange@utdallas.edu to receive one!

Have you missed recent pre-law events? View the session recordings to gain insight and find out what you missed!

John Marshall Pre-Law Society
Join JMPLS, an official Pre-Law organization that promotes understanding of the law, helps members enter the legal profession, and

Women Pursuing Law
Join WPL, an official student organization whose goal is to provide resources specifically geared towards empowering women in law, politics, and
encourages scholarship and leadership.

Note: In addition to signing up, prospective members must submit a one-time payment of $20.00 to finalize membership.

social justice.

Note: To become an official member, you must pay dues. Dues are $8.00 for the semester or $12 for the academic year.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pre-Law Externship Program Information Sessions
January 20, 12:00-1:00 PM | Virtual
February 1, 1:00-2:00 PM | Virtual

You can learn more about the new pre-law externship program by attending an information session. This program will provide students with short-term shadowing experiences in which a student follows a professional to observe the day-to-day activities in a particular legal field.

Join Session 1

Join Session 2

Pre-Law Resume Workshop
February 10, 12:00-1:30 PM
Student Services Building 3.300
Pre-registration required. Form to register TBA.

Join the Pre-Law Advising Center and University Career Center for a resume workshop led by esteemed Career Consultant Candida Pouchie and Pre-Law Advisor Dominique Lange. In this workshop, students will learn to include the essential elements that highlight qualifications, accomplishments, and what makes a resume stand out in the law school application process!

Register Here

LinkedIn for Pre-Law Students
February 15, 12:00-1:30 PM
Student Services Building 3.300
Pre-registration required. Form to register TBA.

LinkedIn provides quick access to members of the legal community that can help you foster connections throughout your pre-law journey. This session will offer insight into strengthening your profile and building your network.
Health Law Week
April 10-14th 2023
Various Locations
Pre-registration required. Form to register TBA.

In partnership with JSOM Healthcare Management, the Pre-Law Advising Center will host several events geared toward students interested in health law. We will introduce the breadth of the field through events teaching the fundamentals—careers, practice settings, job outlook, and academic and personal preparation for law school, through interactions with professionals.

Fundamentals of Health Law
Monday, April 10th
12:00 – 1:30 PM

Health Law Resource Fair
Tuesday, April 11th
1:00 – 3:00 PM

How to Navigate a Mock Interview
Wednesday, April 12th
1:30 – 2:30 PM

Professional Headshots
Thursday, April 13th
12:00 – 3:00 PM

Mock Health Law Class
Thursday, April 13th
4:00 – 6:30 PM

Mock Interviews
Friday, April 14th
12:00 – 3:00 PM

UTD Law Conference
April 21st, 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM
Davidson-Gundy Alumni Center.
Pre-registration required. Form to register TBA.

The 2023 UTD Law Conference will be held on April 21st, 2023, at the Davidson-Gundy Alumni Center. The conference will offer informative and practical sessions on topics relevant to pre-law students and attorneys. Speakers will share their expertise and insights on high-profile legal issues, and the program will include several breakout sessions that provide attendees with more insight into various legal fields.

Additional events for Spring 2023 TBA.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

According to the National Associate of Colleges & Employers (NACE), an internship is a form of experiential learning that integrates knowledge and theory learned in the classroom with practical application and skills development in a professional setting.
Every month this section features great opportunities for students to gain hands-on experience and explore areas of practice in legal and legal adjacent fields.

**UT System Internship (UTSI) and Law Clerkship (LC)**

The Office of Talent & Innovation’s UT System Internship (UTSI) and Law Clerkship (LC) is a paid 10-week program that dovetails project-based work experience with robust professional development, mentoring and opportunities for self-reflection.

**Smithsonian Learning Lab Internship**

Interning at the Smithsonian Learning Lab is a unique opportunity to be part of a new way the Smithsonian is making its resources more accessible and useful to teachers, students, parents, and anyone thrilled by the discovery and exploration of museum resources.

**TIP OF THE MONTH**

For most students, the best time to take the LSAT is in the Summer, between the junior and senior years. A Summer test date allows you to submit your applications very early in the admissions cycle or, in the case of an unforeseen emergency or lower-than-expected score, the chance to retake the test in the fall.

**LATEST LEGAL NEWS**

**Twitter Faces Rent Lawsuit as Elon Musk Continues to Cut Costs**

The landlord of a San Francisco office space operated by the social media company has sued for unpaid rent, echoing problems that Twitter has faced at other properties.
Marc Jacobs Sued Over Eye-Conic Eye Shadow Palettes
Fashion label Marc Jacobs faces trademark infringement litigation over its Eye-Conic line of eye shadow palettes.

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The Department of Transportation Will Look Into Southwest Airlines
After Southwest canceled around 13,000 flights in the days surrounding the Christmas holiday, Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg announced that he would be watching the company very closely and expected it to "go beyond the letter of the law."

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LATEST PRE-LAW NEWS

Law schools introduce a wave of new online and hybrid options
Several law schools have either recently announced or plan to soon announce new online and hybrid options for law students, including Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Santa Clara University School of Law and William & Mary College of Law.

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Minnesota Law launches Gun Violence Prevention Clinic
The University of Minnesota Law School is launching a Gun Violence Prevention Clinic in January, which will be the first in-house law school clinic in the nation with a focus on promoting gun violence prevention through strategic litigation.

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